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SUBJECT: PROPOSED IDB RURAL HEALTH LOAN

1. ON NOVEMBER 4, 1977, INTERAGENCY GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE CONSIDERED USG POSITION ON PENDING IDB LOANS TO CHILE. AT THAT TIME FOUR LOANS WERE SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION IN IDB'S FUND FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS, WHERE USG HAS EFFECTIVE VETO POWER. LOANS WERE (A) RURAL PUBLIC HEALTH \$16.5 MILLION; (B) BRIDGE ROAD PROJECT \$25.0 MILLION; (C) PRE-INVESTMENT PROGRAM \$12.0 MILLION; (D) ANIMAL HEALTH \$10.0 MILLION.

2. INTERAGENCY GROUP DECIDED ON A NO-VOTE ON ALL FOUR LOANS. IT WAS RECOGNIZED HOWEVER THAT RURAL PUBLIC HEALTH LOAN MET "BASIC HUMAN NEEDS" CRITERIA, AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT WE MIGHT RECONSIDER OUR DECISION AT A LATER DATE DEPENDING UPON DEVELOPMENTS. CHILEANS WERE
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ADVISED THAT U.S. WOULD VOTE NO, AND WITHDREW RURAL PUBLIC HEALTH LOAN BEFORE VOTE.

3. WE HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT CHILE IS PRESENTING RURAL PUBLIC HEALTH LOAN AGAIN EARLY NEXT WEEK IN IDB BUT UNDER ORDINARY CAPITAL CATEGORY, WHERE NEGATIVE USG VOTE

PROBABLY WOULD NOT STOP LOAN.

4. THE INTERAGENCY GROUP WILL CONSIDER THIS LOAN ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, AT 2:30 P.M. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
YOUR VIEWS SOONEST ON WHAT POSITION THE U.S. SHOULD
TAKE. VANCE

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